

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Date August 5, 2005

In re the Application of

Fumio SAKIYA et al.

Application No.: 10/516,337

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Docket No.: 121933

For: AUTOMATIC REFERENCE POSITION TEACHING METHOD, AUTOMATIC POSITIONING METHOD, AND AUTOMATIC CARRYING METHOD FOR DISK-LIKE OBJECT, AUTOMATIC REFERENCE POSITION TEACHING DEVICE, AUTOMATIC POSITIONING DEVICE, AND AUTOMATIC CARRYING DEVICE FOR DISK-LIKE OBJECT USING THESE METHODS, AND AUTOMATIC SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING EQUIPMENT

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

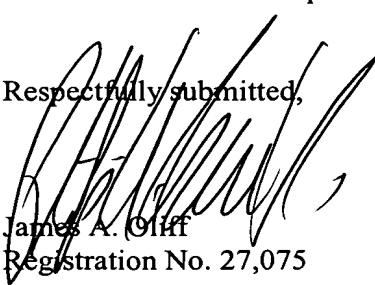
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired July 6, 2005, an extension of time for a period of 1 month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 169521 in the amount of \$120.00 in payment for:

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